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From the Desk of the President

For the first time ever, the president of the American Medical Association is coming to Youngstown. This in itself is noteworthy, but when the president is in the form of one Doctor Edward R. Annis, this is more than a news item—this is a series of emotions. As Doctor Annis comes to Youngstown next week, he brings hope, faith, inspiration, pride, and dedication.

Never before in the 117-year history of organized medicine, has one man done so much to affect the lives of so many. Doctor Annis has traveled over one million miles for the AMA, speaking on the average of 20 times a week! All this just fighting "Fedicare"? Not at all. He has been telling the story of medicine—our story—yours and mine—to the American people. He has been doing this in our stead. We can be justifiably proud of this man, for he is one of us.

If the whole truth were known about this dynamic and distinguished American, we would learn that his efforts in our behalf have been so highly successful because of his complete dedication. He has worked tirelessly not only for the profession he loves, but also for his country. In the finest sense of the word, Ed Annis is a patriot.

Welcome back to Youngstown, Doctor Annis! May your visit here give us renewed hope and courage; courage to speak out for medicine as we join with you in the battle to preserve freedom.

—Jack Schreiber, M.D.
President

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EDITORIAL . . .**AGAINST EVERYTHING?**

"Why is the AMA against everything?" You've heard it. You've heard it from medicine's antagonists—especially when they are backed into a corner and need a good cliche to help them out. You've heard it from other doctors. You may even be guilty of repeating it yourself. Like every generalization, however (including this one), it is just not true. The AMA is against many things, but that's not bad! It's against measles, for instance. It's against polio to the point where polio in these United States is almost eradicated. It's not only against cancer, but it's also against quack cancer cures that raise false hopes, rob people of their money and endanger the lives of the victims. In being against things, the AMA is in pretty good company. George Washington was against tyranny. Abraham Lincoln was against slavery. Lyndon B. Johnson is against poverty. The AMA is against bad medicine. On the other side of the coin, the AMA is for good medicine, for good doctors, for medical research, for good health care, not only for the aged, but for every American, no matter what his age, color, creed, or ability to pay. The AMA is for the freedom of doctors to take care of their own patients without both doctor and patient being hamstrung by government regulations.

Those who perpetuate the "against everything" cliche would be much happier if the AMA did not take any stand. But it does, and, in so doing, rises as a guardian of health and medicine for the American people. We wonder... do these AMA critics represent organizations that are for everything?

—H. R.

ABOUT OUR SPEAKER

Dr. Edward R. Annis, president of the American Medical Association, will be the guest speaker at the April meeting of the Mahoning County Medical Society. The meeting, to be held Tuesday, April 21, marks the first time in the history of the Society, indeed the first time in the history of Youngstown, that an AMA president has spoken here.

Doctor Annis was born in Detroit, and as a young man attending college at Detroit University, worked in the mills there. After obtaining his degree in medicine at Marquette in 1938, Doctor Annis moved to Florida, where he has practiced medicine since. He has specialized in surgery, and held the post of chief of surgery at Mercy Hospital in Miami.

His prowess as a public speaker and able debater is nationally recognized. He gained much experience during his college days. "I was too small to play football or basketball, so I went out for the college debating team," explained Doctor Annis once. He made it too, and it has stood him in good stead—especially at times such as the debates with Walter Reuther and Senator Hubert Humphrey, both on television.

Many people have wondered how Doctor Annis keeps himself physically fit. He has been on the "banquet circuit" for several years, speaking on the average of twenty times a week. On one occasion, he gave nine major addresses in one day! His secret to a slim waistline is a rigidly followed plan of daily morning exercises plus the ability to say no to the mashed potatoes and gravy. An active man, Doctor Annis enjoys playing a fast game of tennis whenever time and schedule permit. He is also quite proficient at squash and handball. A good swimmer, Doctor Annis also manages to enjoy this and other aspects of camp life with his wife and eight children as they spend a month together at a children's camp in the mountains each summer. He has served as camp doctor for a number of years, thoroughly loving every minute of it. "It gives me a chance to see my kids and to get to know them better," Doctor Annis observed.

For those of us who have had the singular good fortune of knowing Doctor Annis personally, we have come to realize that here is a genuine, warm and gentle man. He has mastered the amazing ability of calling by first name, people whom he has met months previously! This is possible largely because Doctor Annis likes people.

After completing his term of office as president of the AMA, Doctor Annis hopes to be able to continue to speak for organized medicine. We in Mahoning County join with fellow physicians everywhere in wishing him well.

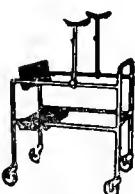
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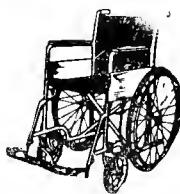
The tenth annual get-together of lawyers and doctors on March 24th proved to be a most successful meeting. More than 150 were in attendance, a record turn-out. The physician attendance was especially good, there being about the same number of doctors as attorneys at the meeting.

The speaker, Dr. A. Reynolds Crane, was well received and had an important message to tell concerning impartial medical testimony.

In a brief business meeting, Dr. Gelbman, chairman of the health insurance committee, was voted money to proceed with publication of a health insurance brochure. Applications for membership were read from Dr. Edward Kessler, Dr. Milton J. Lenhart, and Dr. Vincent Lepore. The speaker was introduced by Dr. Berg. Dr. Schreiber, president, presided.



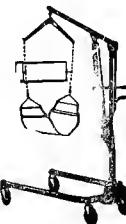
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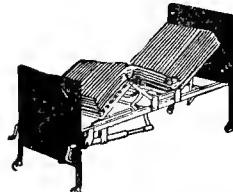
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EDITOR'S NOTE . . .

It is most opportune to call attention to a current article in the April 1964 Readers Digest entitled "The False Promise of Medicare."

Appearing in a widely circulated magazine, the article is written in a simple, easily understandable manner which should be received by a great number of people throughout our nation.

It presents much of the thinking in regard to Kerr-Mills legislation as opposed to King-Anderson. Mention about doctors' feeling in regard to these bills is minimized. It merely states facts and gives examples concerning each plan.

"How can health care be provided best . . . to the aged? Studies show that the King-Anderson program would cost more than any other piece of social legislation in history. But in spite of this cost, it would pay only about 25 per cent of the needy older person's average annual medical expenses." Most people are unaware that for the first nine days in a hospital under King-Anderson, would cost the senior citizen \$90.00 in cash, which often he does not have. King-Anderson also, does not protect the aged against medical expenses that might result from prolonged or "catastrophic" illness.

"In the states where Kerr-Mills (MAA) is operated as intended, it is a sound workable program that provides comprehensive medical care for old people who need it. In other states the shortcomings—and extravagances—are being corrected. And in contrast to the multibillion-dollar boondoggle proposed under King-Anderson, the federal contribution to support the Kerr-Mills program is included in the 600 million dollars being spent in fiscal 1964 for all federal public assistance programs in the medical and health area.

It may be necessary for the federal government to increase its share of the financial responsibility for MAA programs, but certainly not under Social Security, as proposed in King-Anderson.

The most serious consideration, however, is that no matter what it costs, the King-Anderson formula just does not provide what its propagandists promise. It may be potent vote-bait, but no matter how you sugarcoat it, it's bad medicine for both the young and the old."

I hope the Freedom Team under Dr. Bunn can and will use this opportunity to add this article to recommended reading, and all will tell your patients of this article in The Readers Digest. Let the people read about it for themselves. We certainly don't have to sell this article.

As Dr. Berg has said, "Dr. Edward Annis has contributed more than any other person to saving our lives." Let's all turn out April 21st to hear our president of the American Medical Association.

—R.G.W.

INVITATION TO VETERINARY MEETING

The Mahoning County Veterinary Medical Association has extended an invitation to all members of the Mahoning County Medical Society to attend a joint meeting of the two organizations.

Speaker will be Dr. Nakomoto of the Cleveland Clinic. His topic is "Homotransplantations of kidneys in man." The meeting is at the Elks Club on Thursday, April 16th at 9:00 p.m. Buffet will be served. Reservations may be made with the Mahoning County Medical Society office or with Dr. Charles H. Hale, president of the Mahoning County Veterinary Medical Association.

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To associate with and help many local civic projects should be the goal of all our members. Many of our staff belong to the Kiwanis clubs and at the present we have Dave Benyon president of the South Side Uptown Kiwanis and Tom Laird president of the North Side Kiwanis.

Robert Fisher and Dean Stillson will be the physicians to the forty children of the Children's International Summer Village who will be in Youngstown for four weeks this summer. Not only are the two doctors giving their medical care to the children, but at the very present are soliciting financial support from the Medical Society for the Summer Village. The success of this project means much to our town and country.

"Friends of the Child Guidance Center" are still talking about the excellent discussion on "Discipline" given by Bob Wiltsie before the group.

Andy Miglets can hardly wait for the summer weather to arrive so that he can go fishing. His son, Andy, Jr., is in his first year of E.N.T. residency at the Ohio State University Hospitals. Barclay Brandmiller has just returned from Indianapolis where his daughter is employed by Eli Lilly and Company.

Frank Shaw and Bob Parry have purchased a fourteen-foot canoe. Their objective this summer is to travel up and down the rivers and lakes in this part of Ohio and northwestern Pennsylvania camping and sightseeing. This project will be done on weekends.

Ed Brody and Morris Rosenblum attended the American College of Allergists meeting at Miami Beach and also combined a trip to Jamaica while in Florida.

—John G. Guju, M.D.



At the March Council meeting, Dr. Jack McCann proposed an indoctrination program for the house staffs of both hospitals, which would emphasize medical society allegiance and loyalty. This program met with a great deal of deserved enthusiasm. A practical result of such doings might be the condensation of this column into a single unit.

"Personals" were meager this month. Is it because winter vacations are over and summer holidays have not yet begun?...Here are a few items: Alex Calder recently returned from the British West Indies...Hank Shorr just back from the sunny South, looking healthier than ever...Al Phillips another recent returnee from a needed holiday...Sandy Gaylord was elected a Fellow of the American College of Physicians. Congratulations!

Joe Tandatnick's recent trip to Washington for a seminar in Neuro-pathology was followed by emergency journeys to Detroit and New York, where the sudden illness of close relatives claimed his attendance. His mother needed emergency surgery in New York. We are pleased that all turned out well, and Joe is with us once more... We are also glad that Bernie Taylor has recovered from his brief but uncomfortable illness. It is good to have the pathology department in full force again... Ed Kessler of the department of medical education is preparing for a big arrival this spring. His family will be joining him then to give his presence here a feeling of permanence. In the meantime, Ed is killing time mixing religion with acoustics—a rare feat.

Coming up are the big OSMA meetings. As usual, we expect a big contingent of our staff to attend. See you there.

—Kurt Wegner, M.D.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

March 10, 1964

The regular meeting of the council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, March 10, 1964, at Ravers Restaurant, Youngstown, Ohio.

The following physicians were present: Jack Schreiber, president, presiding; B. C. Berg, W. H. Bunn, G. W. Cook, G. E. DeCicco, R. R. Fisher, F. A. Friedrich, Frank Gelbman, S. D. Goldberg, C. E. Pichette, Asher Randell, H. J. Reese, R. J. Scheetz, F. L. Schellhase, Jack Schreiber, R. W. Warnock, Kurt Wegner, and R. A. Wiltsie. Also present were: Drs. Francis A. Miller, H. H. Teitelbaum, Sidney Franklin, F. G. Kravec, H. B. Hutt, J. N. McCann and E. A. Shorten. Absent were Drs. A. W. Geordan, Bertram Katz, John J. McDonough and C. W. Stertzbach.

Dr. Schreiber not being present, the meeting was called to order by the secretary, Dr. Scheetz, at 7:20 p.m.

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

The following applications were presented by the censors and read by the executive secretary.

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A report was read concerning payment of dues. It was noted that twenty members still owe 1964 dues. A registered letter will be sent to each of these members reminding them that final date for payment is March 31.

Dr. Bunn reported on discussions with the Visiting Nurses Association concerning the responsibility of hospital care for indigent or derelict patients. He stated that the main problem is getting the patient to the hospital. There was a question as to whether this was in the realm of the police physicians. The matter was referred to the proper committee to investigate the problem.

Dr. Gelbman announced the results of the recent postcard poll. The motion was made and seconded that if the results were publicized, the entire breakdown of figures should be publicized. A letter written by Dr. Catoline in 1960 was reread by Dr. Schreiber, who came into the meeting at this time. Following discussion, the motion was passed. A letter from Mr. George M. Alexander, attorney for Dr. Catoline, was read. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the results be published in the next issue of the Bulletin. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the total membership be informed of the total results by letter within the next few days.

Results of the postcard poll are as follows:

Number of cards sent out: 306

Ballots received: 220

In favor of Society support of a candidate for Coroner: 147

Of these 147, preference shown was:

D. A. Belinky, M.D.	126
R. N. Catoline, M.D.	12
Other choice	9

Opposed to Society support for a candidate for Coroner: 73

Of these, 63 did not indicate any preference.

Of the remaining 10, preference shown was:

D. A. Belinky, M. D.	6
R. N. Catoline, M.D.	4

Dr. Gelbman reported on several attempts to get money from various associations for the publication of a health insurance brochure. He stated that the Life Underwriters Association would make some contribution. Dr. Gelbman made a request for money from council. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the membership be asked at the next society meeting for the required amount of money to publish a health insurance brochure.

Dr. Friedrich introduced discussion concerning general practitioner representation on the proposed nominating committee. Following discussion, the motion was made and seconded that there should be adequate representation of general practitioners on the nominating committee. A motion to amend was made and seconded that there be at least two members of the general practitioners group on the committee. The amendment was passed. The original motion was passed.

Dr. Berg reminded council that Dr. Crane would be the speaker at the Medical-Legal Banquet and asked for good attendance. He invited members of council to his home to meet Dr. Crane following the banquet.

A letter was read from Dr. I. Werbner, chairman of the mental health committee outlining general committee plans for 1964. The secretary was instructed to send a letter of approval to Dr. Werbner.

A letter was read from the Health and Welfare Council concerning the Ohio Comprehensive Mental Health Planning Project. The letter was referred to the Mental Health Committee.

A letter from Dr. Loeser was read, giving the annual report of the Mahoning County Society for Crippled Children and Adults. The report was referred to Dr. Warnock for publication in the Bulletin.

A letter was read from Dr. Walter regarding extended Mahoning County coverage by the Visiting Nurses Association. The letter was referred to Dr. Bunn, chairman of the Visiting Nurses Advisory Committee.

Dr. Miller presented a report of the TB Control Committee concerning the availability of hospital facilities at the Mahoning County Tuberculosis Sanitorium for chronic disease patients. Dr. Teitelbaum discussed the hospital facilities. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that a motion be presented to the medical society in support of the Board of Trustees of the Mahoning County Tuberculosis Sanitorium proceeding with plans for the feasibility of converting a portion of their unoccupied hospital facilities into a unit for the care of Chronic Disease Patients needing more specialized care than is available in the average nursing home.

The executive secretary was directed to procure a suggested brochure to send to the membership. The TB Committee was asked to prepare general information to send to the membership.

A report was made by Dr. Kravec, chairman of the public health committee, and by Dr. Hutt, chairman of the pre-school health committee, concerning well baby and immunization clinics conducted by the Board of Health.

Discussion centered around whether physicians serving at the clinics should be paid by the hour or by the shot. Following discussion, the matter was referred to a joint meeting of representatives of the Public Health Committee, the Pre-school Health Committee, the Board of Health, the Health Commissioner and the Visiting Nurse Association, with the request that a report be brought to the next meeting of council.

Dr. McCann made a report for the Indoctrination Committee and requested funds for holding a meeting, in two sections, for new interns and residents and their wives from both hospitals for indoctrination. The motion was made and seconded that it be brought up at a general meeting that an assessment of \$2.00 per member be made for intern indoctrination. Motion was defeated. Following discussion, the motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the indoctrination committee go ahead and arrange for meetings beginning in September, 1964. It was understood that these meetings are in addition to the regular membership indoctrination in November.

Dr. Shorten outlined a plan for an AMA instituted anti-tetanus drive, and suggested that the medical society undertake the project. Following discussion, Dr. Schreiber asked that he be allowed to appoint a general committee to study the plan and come to council with a recommendation. He appointed Dr. Shorten as chairman.

Discussion ensued concerning the appointment to the Board of Health, due April 1st. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that a letter be sent to Mayor Flask recommending the reappointment of Dr. Stotler.

Because of the lateness of the hour, Dr. Scheetz asked that discussion of a Five-point Cancer Detection Plan be held until the next meeting of council.

Dr. Gelbman, Seminar Chairman, reported that the 1964 Physicians Cultural Seminar showed a profit of \$30.85.

Meeting was adjourned.

—Howard Rempes,
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The Medical-Dental Bureau came into existence that month and this is how it was started. The younger, progressive element in the Society wished to start a service agency to handle the business of the members. Dr. R. B. Poling was chairman of a committee working on it. The older conservative members were strongly opposed to anything but educational activities and the Society was split wide open.

No progress was being made when a fire-ball named McGhee who was running the Akron Medical Bureau came over here and offered to help. Why he came or for what reward, we never determined but all he ever got was free food and entertainment, the last item quite extensive. His plan was simple and workable: Set it up outside the Society, invite the dentists to join and limit membership to those in good standing in their respective Societies. That gave it respectability and freedom to manage its own affairs. Thirty of us put in ten dollars each at a meeting down at the Rip Tavern (these were depression days and ten dollars meant something). Later forty-five more joined, which gave us enough capital to start an office with three telephone girls and a telephone switchboard.

Those of you who take for granted a smoothly operating Bureau do not know of the long hours spent to get it going. McGhee would come over from Akron every Saturday afternoon and the Board (J. B. Nelson, McCurdy, Skipp, Hayden, Hathhorn, Poling, Chessrown, Fuzzy and this writer) would meet with him at the Tod Hotel in sessions that would break up on Sunday morning.

We got the thing going and soon had a full time manager. There is not a better Medical-Dental Service Bureau now in Ohio, or anywhere else.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — APRIL, 1944

The Youngstown Municipal Hospital for Contagious Diseases was closed. President Elmer Nagel was plugging to have it re-opened as a mental hospital.

Major Walter Tims wrote from England. He was afraid the British Isles would sink from overcrowding. There was to be a great exodus in June, but he did not know that.

O. M. Lawton was promoted to Commander. David Brody and Robert Heaver graduated from field service school at Carlisle Barracks. Ray Hall was home on sick leave after ten months in North Africa where he worked with Wm. McElroy caring for casualties from the Tunisian battlefield.

TEN YEARS AGO — APRIL, 1954

An Illinois legislative commission reported that they found no evidence of a conspiracy between the A.M.A., the Chicago Medical Society and the University of Illinois to discredit the new cancer cure, Krebiozen.

The Vindicator city editor wrote in a guest editorial that doctors and hospitals should provide the newsmen with truthful information and the newspaper should handle it factually and with due regard to humaneness.

The Mahoning Academy of General Practice sent notices to all the laboratories requesting that they make no laboratory tests on private patients without a requisition from the physician. This was done to stop the practice of taking premarital blood tests by the laboratories.

Robert Tornello and David Brody were certified as Fellows of the American College of Surgeons.

From an A.M.A. Symposium: "And now abideth knowledge, a bedside manner and a good Secretary, these three — but the greatest of all is a good Secretary."

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dr. Robert Warnock

Editor of the Bulletin

Dear Doctor Warnock:

The attendance at the meeting last month was poor. It made Dr. Schreiber and Dr. Berg very unhappy.

The weather was frightful and doctors are very sensitive to weather, especially old doctors but I would have been there except for one thing.

Wives were not invited. The speaker was known to be outstanding and my wife wished to hear him. I called the Society office and found that wives were not invited.

The same with the Medical-Legal banquet. I do not care to go to such an affair while my wife sits at home alone.

It would make a much better attendance if wives were invited. The programs are attractive, the facilities are ample. The days when medical meetings were stag affairs are over. Let us bring our charming wives to hear the outstanding speakers Dr. Berg has engaged.

Let them stay home from business meetings. They have their own Auxiliary meetings to attend. But let us include them in all the cultural and social activities of the Society for our mutual benefit.

Yours truly,
James L. Fisher, M.D.



DR. DAVID EARL MONTGOMERY

Dr. David Earl Montgomery, a Youngstown physician since 1914, died at age 74, on January 29th. Dr. Montgomery was born in Grove City, Pa., was a graduate of Slippery Rock State Normal School and Jefferson Medical School, and came to the Youngstown Hospital Association to intern from 1914 to 1916, after which time he opened his office as a general practitioner.

Eight years ago, Dr. Montgomery suffered a stroke and was forced to limit both his practice and his interest in medical society functions. He had been active in community and Masonic affairs, being a member of the South Side Merchants and Civic Association, trustee of Lake Park Cemetery, Ohio Grange, Youngstown BPOE 55, Western Star Lodge 21 F&AM, St. John's Commandery 20, Knights Templar, Aut-Mori Grotto, Shrine Club, Al Koran Shrine, Order of Protestant Men and Trinity Methodist Church. He was a Fellow of the Edward P. David Obstetrics Society.

ANNUAL REPORT

The Mahoning County Society for Crippled Children & Adults

Sept. 1, 1962 - Aug. 31, 1963

NEW PATIENTS

Children	18
Adults	12

OLD PATIENTS

Children	160
Adults	50

INFORMATION ONLY

	28
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EQUIPMENT LOANED

Children	24
Adults	10

NURSERY SCHOOL

Children	28
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TEEN-AGE GROUP

	20
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ADULT HANDICAPPED

	37
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TOTAL	387
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UNITS OF SERVICE

Medical Director	28
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Licensed Physical Therapist	
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Physical Therapy Treatments	981
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Parent Education Sessions	86
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Clinical Visits	30
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Speech Therapist	
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Treatments	199
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Parent Education Sessions	8
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Psychologist	
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Psychological Testing	14
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Case Worker	
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Counseling Service	853
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Clinical Visits	20
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Teacher, Pre-School	
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Units of Service	2,860
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TOTAL UNITS IN ALL PHASES OF PROGRAM	5,079
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—W. D. Loeser, M.D.

DELINQUENT DUES

The following members of the Mahoning County Medical Society have not paid their 1964 dues as of March 31, 1964:

Dr. Rene Cossette

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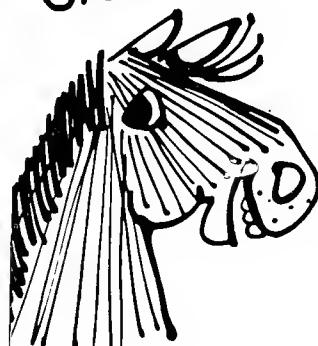
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*In Memoriam***DR. PAUL H. LEIMBACH**

... the last of the country doctors

Dr. Paul Leimbach, who practiced in Greenford for over 50 years, died in the Central Clinic in Salem on Thursday, March 12, 1964. He was born in Danbury, Ohio, in 1887. His birthday was on July 4th, and this may have been prophetic, for Paul Leimbach was characterized by a spirit of individualism and independence in his practice. Truly, he wore no man's collar.

He attended public schools in Vermillion and Elyria and graduated from the Starling Ohio Medical College, one of the numerous progenitors of Ohio State College of Medicine, in 1912. He interned at St. Joseph's Charity Hospital in Lorain, Ohio, starting his practice in Greenford when he succeeded the late Dr. Oscar Hulin in 1913. He began his practice with a horse and buggy, and, although he purchased his first automobile in 1914, he still continued to use the more dependable form of transportation until the area roads were permanently improved.

He married Miss Bessie L. Schnuerer on May 8, 1915, and was the father of three children, Mrs. Sarah Brown of Kent, Frederick of Salem, and Mrs. Alice Grammer of North Benton. There are nine grandchildren. He was a member of the Greenford Lutheran Church. He was a "ham" radio operator, and for years he owned and operated the amateur radio station, W8GVO, and signed himself off as the Country Doctor in Greenford, Ohio.

Although he never held public office, he did serve as the Chief Medical Examiner for the Draft Board for the rural areas of Mahoning County during World War II. Under his supervision and direction, thousands of young men from the rural areas were given their pre-induction examinations at the Boardman Fire Station. In the discharge of this grave responsibility, and without any remuneration for his service, he showed unusual good judgment and consideration for the concern of the selectees and their families, as well as the well-being of his country.

He was a member of the visiting staff of the Youngstown Hospital Association and on the courtesy staff of both the Salem City and Central Clinic Hospitals. He was presented his fifty-year pin by the Ohio State Medical Association on Jan. 19, 1963. His active practice embraced a period of nearly 52 years, beginning with the period of the horse and buggy, typhoid epidemics, the rampages of diphtheria, mastoiditis, heavy death rates from pneumonia, home deliveries, sometimes kitchen table surgery and total emergency care. During the great pandemic of influenza in 1918, he went night and day without any assistance for the many weeks of its duration.

He progressed through the rapid development of scientific medicine, including the first specific treatment, arsenic, the discoveries of liver for pernicious anemia, insulin for diabetes, DPT vaccine, the sulfa drugs, penicillin and later antibiotics, along with antihistamines, oral diuretics, corticosteroids, and other equally important discoveries and developments that profoundly affected the nature of his practice and the health of his patients. He always managed to keep abreast of this rapid progress and he attended postgraduate courses at the Peter Bent Brigham, Cook County, and Chicago Lying-in Hospitals as well as maintaining an active interest in the Mahoning County Medical Society. Only the ravages of aging stilled his hand, but never his heart or his head. Truly he should be best remembered as the last of the country doctors in Mahoning County.

—H. P. McGregor, M.D.

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REPORT OF THE POLIO COMMITTEE OF THE MAHONING COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY

Dr. K. Wegner, Chairman; Dr. S. Petraglia, Vice-chairman; Drs. J. Benko, J. Campolito, J. Colla, H. Segall, F. Tiberio.

1. No cases of poliomyelitis in this area were reported to the Health Department or this committee during the past year. Thus, from the point of view of disease incidence, polio does not represent a problem here at the present time.

2. In spite of this fortunate state of affairs, the committee advises the profession to continue its vigilance in maintaining a high level of immunity in our population.

3. To provide and maintain immunity against polio, the committee advises the implementation of the recommendations of the American Academy of Pediatrics, as set forth in the *Report of the Committee on the Control of Infectious Diseases 1964*.

"paralytic poliomyelitis is now a preventable disease, and immunization is recommended for all children and young adults. Two vaccines are available, formalin inactivated poliovaccine (IPV) (Salk) for parenteral injection, and attenuated live oral poliovaccine (OPV) (Sabin). . . . On the basis of all available data, both OPV and IPV have been effective in the prevention of paralytic poliomyelitis, and each vaccine is acceptable. However, evaluation of the virtues and limitations of killed and live poliovaccines reveals a clearcut superiority of the OPV from the point of view of ease of administration, immunogenic effect, protective capacity, and potential for the eradication of poliomyelitis. It is therefore the vaccine of choice for community-wide vaccination programs of children and young adults and for routine immunization in infancy. . . ."

A recommended schedule for immunization of infants is appended.

"OPV: Three oral doses of types 1, 3 and 2 virus vaccine in order, spaced one month or more apart, given at time of DTP in young infants and followed approximately one year later by a single booster dose of a polyvalent preparation containing all three viruses. Trivalent poliovaccines are not advised for primary inoculation of infants. In children over 2 years of age at the time they receive the initial series of OPV, the need for a booster dose has not been established.

"IPV: Primary inoculation includes 4 parenteral injections, three of which are given at the time of DTP in young infants, and the fourth at 15 months of age. Thereafter, booster doses are recommended every two years until such time as sufficient data may warrant a reduced schedule.

"Either vaccine, OPV or IPV, may be ineffective if the complete series is not given. Persons who have had a partial or complete series of IPV when given OPV should receive the complete series of OPV vaccine virus types 1, 3 and 2, as outlined above. After a complete series of OPV has been given, no more Salk vaccine need be given."

RECOMMENDED SCHEDULE FOR POLIO IMMUNIZATION OF INFANTS AND CHILDREN

(adapted from the above publication)

Age	Recommended	Alternate
2 months	Type 1 OPV	IPV
3 months	Type 3 OPV	IPV
4 months	Type 2 OPV	IPV
15 months	Type 1 & 2 & 3 combined OPV	IPV
2 years	—	IPV
4 years	—	IPV
6 years	—	IPV
8 years	—	IPV
10 years	—	IPV
12 years	—	IPV
14 years	—	IPV
16 years	—	IPV

Note: If IPV is used, separate injections of DTP and the polio vaccine may be given or one may use quadruple preparations.

OPV—oral poliovaccine of the Sabin type.

IPV—inactivated poliovaccine of the Salk type.

—Kurt Wegner, M.D.

Chairman

Happy Birthday

April 16	S. Zlotnick	May 5
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P. B. Giber	April 25	May 6
April 18	D. Shapira	J. A. Hyland
V. L. Goodwin	M. J. Vuksta	May 9
April 19	April 26	A. J. Bayuk
C. C. Wales	A. T. Laird	G. E. DeCicco
April 21	April 27	May 11
M. E. Conti	G. A. Parillo	G. W. Cook
April 22	April 28	May 12
B. M. Brandmiller	S. G. Patton, Jr.	H. S. Banninga
W. D. McElroy	April 30	W. J. Tims
J. A. Rogers	R. Ciekurs	May 13
April 23	May 3	E. R. McNeal
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PRESS MEETING HELD

The annual meeting of the public relations committee with representatives of the news media was held on March 12 at the Mural Room.

Guests were: Catesby Cannon, Vindicator; John Beilby, WBBW; Bob Carano and Bob Locke, WFMJ; John Moses and Ken Thomas, WKBN; Don Parcher and Harry Reith, WYTV. Guests representing the hospitals were: Sister M. Consolata, Sister Anita Louise and Fred Nebot of St. Elizabeth Hospital, and R. W. Bachmeyer and Gerald O'Hara of Youngstown Hospital Association.

Members of the public relations committee present were: Dr. R. A. Wiltsie, chairman; Dr. James E. Might, vice-chairman; and Drs. Frederic D'Amato, D. R. Dockry, Clare Reesey, Kurt Wegner and Sanford Weiss.

Dr. Schreiber spoke concerning the medical society stand on King-Anderson legislation, and Mr. Bachmeyer and Sister Consolata answered questions on hospital public relations and costs.

BOARD OF HEALTH BULLETIN

REPORT FOR FEBRUARY, 1964

	Resident		Non-Resident		Total
	M.	F.	M.	F.	
Births	96	104	137	120	457
Deaths	84	56	54	41	235
Infants Deaths	1	2	2	1	6

FEBRUARY, 1963

Births	99	113	99	110	421
Deaths	88	66	58	46	258
Infants Deaths	3	3	2	2	10

COMMUNICABLE DISEASES

	1964		1963	
	Cases	Deaths	Cases	Deaths
Chicken Pox	106	0	75	0
Diphtheria	0	0	0	0
Measles	9	0	86	0
German Measles	0	0	3	0
Mumps	90	0	63	0
Meningitis	0	0	0	0
Polio	0	0	0	0
Scarlet Fever	1	0	20	0
Tuberculosis	2	1	7	0
Whooping Cough	0	0	0	0
Infectious Hepatitis	3	0	0	0
Rheumatic Fever	2	0	3	0
Gonorrhea	21	0	23	0
Syphilis	1	0	8	0
Salmonella	0	0	0	0

VENEREAL DISEASES

New Cases	Male	Female
Syphilis	1	1
Gonorrhea	7	6
Total Patients		15
Total visits (Patients)		105

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